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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Hidehiko FUNAOKA et al.**

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May 22, 2003

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Attached please find a check in the amount of \$410.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

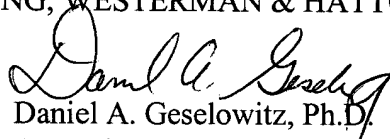
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